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## EDITORIAL COMMENT

Call 449 if you fail to get the Kentuckian promptly. And if you have a news item, phone it to the same number.

These two Hopkinsville patriots Phil Redd and Pettus White should have been on the committee to welcome Surgeon General Blue to Louisville Saturday.

The Russian woman who headed the "Battalion of Death," who escaped through Siberia to Japan and has arrived on the Pacific Coast is headed for France to tender her services as a warrior.

Approximately 40 per cent of the men in the United States now listed in Class 1 will be called to the colors this year. The total number available, 2,913,495, has been made public by Provost Marshal General Crowder.

Four hundred soldiers at Camp Taylor have been designated to attend the fourth officers' training school, which opens to-day. There are 45 Kentuckians in the list, seven of them from Louisville. Hopkinsville is not represented.

There are now 100,000 more American soldiers in England and France than the entire number of troops who fought on the side of the colonies during the eight years of the Revolutionary war. The total number of Revolutionary soldiers enlisted was 495,000.

Nearly 4,000 delegates have registered for the Governors' Session of the "Win the War for Permanent Peace" Convention which comes on the afternoon of Friday, May 17th, in Independence Hall, Philadelphia. It will be open to Governors, ex-Governors and official representatives of State, appointed by Governors, only. Twelve Governors and fifty ex-Governors have announced their intention to be present. The Hon. Charles Evans Hughes will preside and the speakers will include Governors Lister, of Washington; Milliken, of Maine; Phillips, of Wisconsin; Cox, of Ohio; Bickett, of North Carolina, and Brumbaugh, of Pennsylvania.

## NOT IN THE WAY

GERMAN "EYE WITNESS" SAYS BRITISH CRUISER FAILED TO BLOCK OSTEND HARBOR.

Amsterdam, May 13.—A German version of the sinking of the Vindictive in Ostend harbor as recounted by an "eye witness" has been received here.

"When the bombardment from the sea began," says the account, "ten airplanes appeared over the town, dropping bombs and flaming objects. The Vindictive struck the piles at the extreme end of the jetty and sank. There she may stay as long as she likes for she does not interfere with us."

"Only the dead were found on board, while not a plank, rail or stairway was left. The whole deck was littered with splinters and wreckage, the wheel on the bridge was smashed and the helmsman lay dead beside it. Here and there were smoldering fires."

A Dover dispatch says that the British casualties in the raid on Ostend were two officers and six men killed and two officers and eight men missing, supposed to have been killed. Of these two officers and eight men were on the Vindictive.

Five officers and 24 men were wounded, of whom one officer and sixteen men were on the Vindictive.

## LINO TYPE OPERATOR WANTED!

The Kentuckian will need a good lino type operator on or about May 25th or June 15th, as its mechanist-operator is in the calls on those dates. Must be able to care for his own machine, and a man who is a good printer as well as an operator is preferred. Permanent place and good wages to the right man.

## MARRIED TOO YOUNG.

Gilda Holmes, who married Alonzo Nalley in Louisville when 15 years old and left him three months later has been granted a divorce.

## ONLY FIGHTING IN ITALY

## FIRST BOX IS SHIPPED

COUNCIL OF NATIONAL DEFENSE SENDS 631 GARMENTS TO FRENCH AND BELGIAN CHILDREN.

The Council of the National Defense yesterday shipped its first box of clothing for the French and Belgian children to the Bureau of Supplies of the American Red Cross, at Cincinnati, Ohio, which has charge of the distribution of the garments sent in from all sources. The shipment contained 631 articles made by various churches and societies of Hopkinsville, and by units at Gracely, Masonville and Casky. With the shipment also went 37 garments made by the Red Cross unit of this city, turned over to be shipped by the Council of National Defense.

Other units in the county have not reported and another collection of garments given out last week will be brought in tomorrow and next day. Another box will be ready for shipment in a few days. The ladies will be at the Y. M. C. A. building Wednesday and Thursday for cutting out garments and they invite assistance from those who are willing to make them up. There is a scarcity of ladies to do the sewing and the work is not progressing as rapidly as it might if there were more volunteers to make up the supplies so urgently needed.

## GIVES CREDIT.

Editor Kentuckian:

The publishers in the eighth district justly may take credit for wielding a mighty influence for the third campaign in their communities because of the wide publicity given the loan both in their news columns and in their advertising columns.

I want to take this occasion to thank you on behalf of the Liberty Loan organization for the generous spirit of co-operation shown by your publication and its staff whose efforts were so plainly inspired by patriotism as well as by a sincere desire to serve.

Assuring you of my appreciation, I am Very truly yours, H. J. GARDNER, Director of Publicity.

St. Louis.

## NEW T. P. A. OFFICERS.

Louisville, Ky., May 13.—The Louisville Protective Association, Kentucky Division, Saturday elected John T. Elam, of Henderson, president of the last session of the annual State meeting at the Tyler Hotel. The contest between Mr. Elam and W. C. Sumpter, of Bowling Green, was a close one.

Henderson was elected as the next place of meeting. F. H. Mason, of Hopkinsville, was elected on the board of directors; Lucien H. Davis was chosen chairman of the legislative committee, and G. E. Dalton was elected as a representative to the National convention.

## ANNOUNCEMENT.

The new management of the Tabernacle wishes to make known the policy of the house as regards the showing of pictures.

One big feature picture will be shown each week, nothing but clean pictures will be shown, and at all times, under the direction of the member of the Tabernacle Board of Managers. The opening picture will be Sydney Olcott's Historical masterpiece, "THE BELGIAN," which is a big seven reel production, and just now one that will appeal to every one in Hopkinsville. Further announcements later.

## DISPLEASED WITH RAISE.

Central City, Ky., May 3.—Displeased with the Railroad Wage Commission's report if increased pay for railroad employees, employees of the locomotive and car department of the Illinois Central railroad here have sent to Director General McAdoo, Congressman R. Y. Thomas and Senator James a protest against the small increase recommended.

## QUALIFIED MEN MAY VOLUNTEER

LOCAL EXEMPTION BOARD RECEIVES CALL FOR MEN FOR SERVICE OCCUPATIONS.

The government is asking men of draft age to volunteer between now and May 20 for training in various lines of work connected with the army. Unless a sufficient number of men volunteer the local board may be called upon to draft into the service such number as may be allotted to this county. None may volunteer after May 20 and those that are sent will entrain on June 1st and go to the various camps selected. The several calls include white and colored men who will be sent to separate camps.

"Voluntary" calls for specially qualified men from this state are announced as follows:

Call No. 506 for railroad brakemen, firemen and conductors. White men. Washington Barracks, Washington, D. C.

Call No. 539 for hostlers and stable men. White men. Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va.

Call No. 541 for 25 mule packers. White men. Camp Johnston, Jacksonville, Fla.

Call No. 535 for bricklayers. Colored men. Ft. Wayne, Mich.

Call No. 536 for 10 carpenters and helpers. Colored men. Ft. Wayne, Mich.

For further information concerning this work men subject to the draft may call at the office of the Local Exemption Board.

## MOTHER'S DAY AT TAYLOR.

Camp Taylor, Ky., May 13.—In compliance with orders from Gen. Pershing every soldier here attended Mother's Day services. In order that no soldier on duty would miss the services three were held, in the morning, afternoon and night.

Every Y. M. C. A. and K. C. building was used for the purpose of honoring the mothers of the soldiers. As a tribute to mothers the soldiers were permitted to wear carnations. The first privilege of that nature ever granted.

## SOME BLACKBERRIES LEFT.

A lady brought in a blackberry bush loaded with blossoms, a day or two ago, and convinced the Kentuckian that all of the berries were not killed. But who has seen a peach blossom?

## NEW LEADER.

(By International News Service.) London, May 13.—Chancellor Bonar Law announced in House of Commons this afternoon that Sir Hugh Franchard had accepted the command of an important part of the British air forces.

## PROBE IS RECOMMENDED

STATE INSPECTOR FINDS MANY THINGS WRONG WITH COLORED HOME SOCIETY.

Frankfort, Ky., May 13.—Thorough investigation of all affairs of the institution and a complete change in the system of management of the Kentucky Children's Home Society for Colored Children in Louisville is recommended in a report made by State Inspector and Examiner Nat B. Sewell.

"There is evidence in many ways," the report says, "that the institution has been run more for the benefit of those in direct charge than for the helpless children for whose benefit the State is paying \$10,000 a year."

Inspector Sewell recommends that the Rev. C. H. Parrish, president of the home society, be required to report to the State \$495 which he paid himself from the State funds for salary due before the state appropriated money for the support of the home.

## All Hands Agree That Quiet For the Moment Reigns On The Flanders Front and In Picardy—Aviators Are Finishing the Work at Ostend—Eight Hun Planes Brought Down.

(By International News Service.)

Vienna, May 13.—To-day's Austrian war office report says: "On the Italian Alpine front lively fighting continues."

London, May 13.—A German bombardment of the Allied lines north of Serre and north of Mount Kemmel, in Flanders, is reported by to-night's British official statement.

Berlin, May 13.—To-night's war office bulletin says: "There is nothing new to report in any theatre of the war."

Paris, May 13.—To-night's official communique says: "There is nothing important to report, beyond bombardment carried out by both sides, notably on the two banks of the Avre, southeast of Amiens."

## CREEL NOW UNDER FIRE

(By International News Service.)

Washington, May 13.—George Creel, Chairman of the Committee on Public Information was denounced in the House to-day by a majority leader Kitchen as unworthy of the confidence of Congress or any honest man. This statement followed the reading of excerpts from a speech by Creel in New York. Creel was quoted as having replied, when asked if Congress was loyal at heart, that he did not care to go slumming and had not explored Congressmen's hearts.

## BIG FIND IN YORK STATE

(By International News Service.)

New York, May 13.—Report that one million Mauser rifles and machine guns and much ammunition are held somewhere in America for a German account has been brought to the attention of Attorney General Lewis, of this state, who announced late to-day that he would start an investigation to-morrow.

## SON-IN-LAW OF LOUIS SWIFT

(By International News Service.)

Chicago, May 13.—Count James Minotto, son-in-law of Louis Swift, the noted Chicago packer, was arrested at Lake Forest and will be interned for the length of the war.

## FINAL FIGURES.

(By International News Service.)

Washington, May 13.—Four billion dollars were knocked off the nation's preparedness bill when the announcement was made late today, that the House Military Committee army bill figures are \$11,771,666,847.86. A previous estimate of more than \$15,000,000,000 was explained to be due to an error in duplicating certain items which should be carried in the fortification's bill.

## FIRES STARTED.

(By International News Service.)

American Army France, May 13.—An American party firing on the French front in Picardy set fire to a German ammunition dump in the village of Cantigny early this morning. American shells also caused two fires in Montdidier which were marked by numerous explosions.

(By International News Service.)

London, May 13.—Hindenburg's new machine continues to mark time today. There was less infantry fighting even in Picardy and Flanders than has been recorded in days. A renewal of the German drive is now regarded as almost overdue. Military critics are certain that the coming week will see it.

All news from the front says the news, indicates we are on the eve of great events. Our scouts know by the enemy concentrations new nearing completion, and heavy gun fire has been increasing. On the British northern front, particularly in the region above Kemmel and in the sector southeast of Amiens there were storm centers of violent artillery duels throughout the night and day. Neither the British nor the French war offices report any infantry action in the official night bulletins.

## BOMB DROPPING ON OSTEND

(By International News Service.)

London, May 13.—"Between May 6 and May 12," says the admiralty statement to-night, "the Ostend docks and seaplane base, as well as Zebrugge mole and lock, have been bombed. At Ostend the seaplanes shed was set afire. Eight German machines were brought down."

## STATEMENT FORTHCOMING

(By International News Service.)

London, May 13.—Sir Edward Carson, in the House of Commons to-day, asked Premier Lloyd George when the Government would make a statement regarding the progress made among the Allies in carrying out the resolutions adopted at the Paris conference concerning the economic questions of war. Chancellor of the Exchequer Bonar Law replied that the statement would be forthcoming upon the introduction of the Exports Bill.

## WITHOUT FOUNDATION

(By International News Service.)

Washington, May 13.—A investigation is being made of the dispatch from British-Canadian sources this morning saying that American troops will not be used until they are on the west front in great force. Secretary Baker, issued a statement saying the facts are exactly otherwise. Ambassador Earl Reading concurred with Secretary Baker.

## WILL MAKE BIPLANES.

(By International News Service.)

Washington, May 13.—Signal Corps officers to-day stated that many Caproni Biplanes will be made in this country for the American army in France. It is expected that before the end of the year production in large quantity of new machines will be underway. They have been highly successful in bombing in recent raids over the German positions.

## ZEPPELIN ROUTED.

(By International News Service.)

London, May 13.—The war office statement says that on May 12 a British seaplane over the north sea fought a patrolling Zeppelin, and after a half hour's battle the Zeppelin retreated to its base.

## MID PLAUDITS OF THOUSANDS

LIEUT. PAT O'BRIEN TELLS OF EXPERIENCE BEHIND THE GERMAN LINES.

Lieut. Patrick O'Brien stepped off the train yesterday afternoon exactly on time and was greeted by hundreds of eager eyes watching to get a square look at the hero of aircraft warfare. Many persons had come to the station in automobiles, in haggies and on foot to welcome the man who was coming to tell the thrilling story of his experiences "over there."

Lieut. O'Brien was immediately taken in charge by the committee and by the Boy Scouts and many others and was escorted from the depot down Ninth street, up Main and out Seventh to Hotel Latham where he was allowed to have supper and rest.

Long before the arrival of the speaker at the Tabernacle the big auditorium was at a premium. However, a high class entertainment was furnished by the High School Orchestra, which played many selections of stirring and patriotic music. The Boy Scouts organization gave color to the occasion by appearing in full uniform and seated immediately in front of the speakers stand.

As Lieut. O'Brien appeared on the platform with C. R. Clark, who introduced him, the orchestra struck up "The Star Spangled Banner" and the big audience rose en masse to do honor to the distinguished visitor.

After a short and appropriate introduction the speaker jumped into his subject, beginning his story with walking down a street in San Francisco the day the Lusitania was sunk. He traced his career from that day through his experience getting into the English Royal Flying Squadron, his first work as a British flier over the German lines, how he was wounded and fell behind the enemy's lines and taken to a hospital a prisoner of war, his prison life, his miraculous escape from a speeding prison train, his 72 days working his way over 250 miles of German and Belgian territory to the Holland border line eating vegetables and herbs and swimming countless rivers and streams and finally his exciting passage through the electrically charged barbed wire which separates Belgium from Holland.

After escape into Holland further progress was easy and Lieut. O'Brien was soon in London where he accepted an invitation to visit the King of England. Here he paused to praise the King as one of the most democratic of men.

The big audience sat and stood in rapt attention throughout the more than two hours of Lieut. O'Brien's relating of the most harrowing and exciting experiences it is possible for a man to have and yet remain alive.

## WILL WED A SOLDIER

MISS ALICE MERRITT TO BECOME MRS. DANIEL McNALLY.

Miss Alice Greenwood Merritt, daughter of Mrs. Ida G. Merritt, of this city, who is now teaching at Anniston, Ala., will be married on May 25th to Mr. Daniel McNally, a young volunteer soldier from Newark, N. J., who is in the camp there. Mr. McNally was a prominent business man before entering the service. His bride-to-be, is a popular and talented girl.

## "GERMAN" NOW "WOODROW"

(By International News Service.)

Memphis, Tenn., May 13.—Lucius German is patriotic and his sire name didn't sound just right to him. So before he went to fight the Germans he applied to the courts and had the name changed to Woodrow.

## LABOR MISSION IS RECIVED BY PREMIER

(By International News Service.)

London, May 13.—Premier Lloyd George this afternoon received the American Labor Mission in the cabinet room of the Chancellery. In addressing the American delegates the Premier expressed great pleasure over the fact that American troops are fighting along side with the Allies in France.

## FOLLOWING THE FLAG.

FROM GUY SMITHSON.

Camp Taylor, Ky., May 6, 1918.

Dear Sister:

I will write a few lines tonight, but won't have time to write much I guess I'll have to wash some of my clothes tonight, as I'll have to take a bath and shave and shine my shoes tomorrow night and get ready for inspection on Wednesday morning.

It would be a treat for you to be at Camp Taylor and see us boys cleaning ourselves up and getting our bunks ready for inspection, which comes on Wednesday and Saturday.

We had a foot inspection today, that comes when we are going to take a hike. You should have seen the boys washing their feet and trimming their toe nails before Lieut. Chambers came around. It was some sight.

We all had our pictures taken yesterday. There were more than a thousand in the bunch I expect.

I don't guess I'll get to see much of this "burg" as they say they are going to ship us some place further South in about two weeks.

Hiouast. iyirwekmwfyphardhuhrida We are under quarantine so we go to the line, which is a thirty foot road, and the folks from town come to the line, so the boys have a good time talking across the line to the girls.

Well I will close. Write soon and a long letter. Your brother, GUY.

Edward Quarles, who is in the truck department of the Quartermaster's corps in Brownsville, Tex., left for camp after a visit to his father, Joe Quarles.

Clark Fuqua returned recently to Camp Sherman, Ohio, after visiting Mr. and Mrs. Feland Clark and other relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Clark accompanied Mr. Fuqua as far as Louisville on his return.

Ben Warfield returned from Louisville yesterday where he enlisted in the Navy. He is expecting orders to report at an early date.

Martin Luther Wolfe and Preston Jones went to Evansville yesterday to enlist in the Navy.

Blangy Walker, returned home recently from Akron, Ohio, where he has been employed. After a brief visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Walker, he goes to Louisville today to enlist in the Navy.

## GIRL LIEUTENANTS.

Miss Martha L. Whitcomb and Miss Olive Allen, two University of Louisville young girls probably will be the first women to be commissioned officers in the United States Army. They have been named as bacteriologists, positions that carry the rank of Lieutenant.

## ONE OF EVERY FOUR.

Of the eighty odd thousand registered trained nurses in the United States about 20,000 have enrolled as Red Cross nurses, volunteering their services at the front, in cantonments and hospitals or in any other needed capacities.